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News Highlights, September 7-13

Wilmington Star-News

[Roots of N.C. Gullah Geechee culture start on Eagles Island](#)

John Haley thinks that Gullah Geechee culture is a lot like Eagles Island: overlooked by many in Southeastern North Carolina. But at a Wednesday meeting of the Eagles Island Coalition at the Battleship N.C., Haley, a Gullah Geechee scholar and retired University of North Carolina Wilmington professor, told coalition members how North Carolina Gullah history is dependent on Eagles Island — and how they could shed light on it. Read more [here](#).

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[Cultural Resources Announces Dr. Kevin Cherry as Deputy Secretary](#)

N.C. Department of Cultural Resources Secretary Linda Carlisle announces the appointment of Dr. Kevin Cherry to deputy secretary for the Cultural Resources Office of Archives and History. Currently Cherry serves as senior program officer at the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington, D.C. Read more [here](#).

News & Observer

[Top state historian, cultural resources official retires](#)

Jeffrey Crow, one of the state's chief historians, has retired this month. Crow was deputy secretary of the Office of Archives and History in the state Department of Cultural Resources. Prior to that, Crow was the administrator of the division's Historical Publications Section and editor in chief of the North Carolina Historical Review (1982-95.) Crow worked for the department for 38 years. Read more [here](#).

Daddy Weekly Blog

[Pops in the City: NC Symphony at the Red Hat Amphitheater](#)

Most kids have a natural affinity to classical music that seems to eventually disappear as they discover Katy Perry and Justin Bieber. If your kids have not yet reached the Bieber stage, they will have a lovely opportunity this Sunday night: The NC Symphony is playing at the Amphitheater, and it will be a nice program of lively and light classical fare. Read more [here](#).

Burlington Times News

[Columnist: 'Fun-ducational' trip for whole family](#)

“Fun-ducational,” that’s the word my oldest son, Bret, used to describe our recent trip to the N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences and the N.C. Museum of History, both located in downtown Raleigh. “It’s fun and educational,” he said with a big smile. Read more [here](#).

Daily Tar Heel

UNC makes old yearbooks available online

The North Carolina Digital Heritage Center is gathering (yearbook) archives into an online collection as part of a project UNC launched in late 2009. Institutions from across the state are working with UNC Libraries by submitting their old yearbooks, newspapers and photos to be scanned into the system. DigitalNC, the website which houses the center's archives, was created by UNC and is supported by the State Library of North Carolina. Read more [here](#).

WSLS-TV, Roanoke, Va.

Passenger train to roll into Appomattox station for "Autumn Express"

A passenger train hasn't pulled into the old station in downtown Appomattox for more than 20 years. But that won't stop the "Virginia Autumn Express." The train, originating from Spencer, N.C., is expected to bring nearly 1,000 passengers to spend the afternoon in Appomattox on Nov. 3. ... The N.C. Transportation Museum has offered similar autumn excursions in previous years, but this is the first time Appomattox will be a destination. Read more [here](#).

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Bennett Place Presents "1862, Life on the Homefront in Piedmont North Carolina"

In conjunction with the 150th Anniversary of the American Civil War, Bennett Place State Historic Site will present "1862, Life on the Homefront in Piedmont North Carolina During the Civil War," an outdoor educational living history depicting life of the Southern civilians in the second year of the war. Read more [here](#).

Asheville Citizen-Times

Civil War: Vance takes office

People who are put off by the glitz and perpetual campaigning of today's politics might like the way Buncombe County native Zebulon Vance backed into the state governor's race of 1862. Vance, then a colonel in the Confederate army, wrote the Fayetteville Observer in mid-June of that year that he had "declined all promotion" except to lead his current troops. But, he noted that others had suggested him to lead the state. If voters "believe that I could serve the great cause better as Governor than I am now doing, and should see proper to confer this great responsibility upon me without solicitation on my part, I should not feel at liberty to decline it, however conscious of my own unworthiness," he wrote. Read more [here](#).